# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

# FISCAL NOTE



HB 301 - SB 488

February 21, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Defines cyber-bullying and adds it to the list of prohibited school conduct. Requires each local education agency (LEA) to adopt a policy against cyber-bullying.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- LEAs are currently required to have policies prohibiting bullying, intimidation, and harassment.
- According the Tennessee Department of Education, many LEAs are already addressing the issue of cyber-bullying. Expanding the current policies in other LEAs to include cyber-bullying or bullying through the use of electronic devices will not have a significant impact.
- Any increase in LEA expenditures to develop or print new policies and disseminate to staff will not be significant.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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